GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1522
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LOSSES DUE TO BT. COTTON .
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether farmers of Karnataka who raised Bt. Cotton during 2005-06 suffered a huge loss according to study done by a group of Non-Governmental Organizations in the States;

(b) If so, whether the Government has considered their reports;

(c) If so, the main findings of the report and the steps being taken to help the Karnataka farmers who have incurred such losses; and

(d) The compensation provided to Karnataka farmers in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (c): It has been reported by Government of Karnataka that no such reports/findings have been received from any Non-Governmental Organization.

(d): Does not arise.